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SUBJECT: WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

TO : EA - MR. HOLBROOKE

FROM: EA/RA - PAUL CLEVELAND, ACTING

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1. INDOCHINESE REFUGEE CONFERENCE (CONFIDENTIAL)

UNHCR REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE SAMPATKUMAR HAS INVITED
AMBASSADORS RESIDENT IN KUALA LUMPUR TO A ONE DAY CONFER-
ENCE ON THE CURRENT INDOCHINESE REFUGEE SITUATION ON
JULY 3. AMBASSADOR MILLER IS PLANNING TO ATTEND AND
WE ARE URGING THROUGH OUR MISSION IN GENEVA THAT A TOP
LEVEL UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE FROM GENEVA ALSO ATTEND.
AT THE MEETING AMBASSADOR MILLER WILL URGE THE CONFEREES
TO SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY OFFERED FOR A THOROUGH DISCUSSION
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OF BROADER ASPECTS OF THE INDOCHINESE REFUGEE PROBLEM
AND ITS IMPACT ON ALL NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. HE WILL ALSO
ENCOURAGE DISCUSSION OF THE FEASIBILITY OF HOLDING AN
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE PROBLEM, AS PERHAPS THE
ONLY UNEXPLORED ALTERNATIVE TO INCREASING RESETTLEMENT

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE GROWING NUMBER OF REFUGEES.

2. PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS (LOU)

WE UNDERSTAND FROM IO THAT THE PROJECTED CONSULTATION TRIP BY IO DAS HELMAN TO ALL THE ASEAN COUNTRIES (EX-EPT THAILAND, WHICH IS TO BE COVERED BY AMBASSADOR MCHENRY) HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO THE LATTER PART OF JULY. DATES ARE STILL NOT PRECISE BUT PRESENT THINKING WOULD HAVE THE TRIP BEGIN AROUND JULY 20-21.

3. NAM - CRITICISM OF CUBAN ROLE (CONFIDENTIAL)

THE MALAYSIANS HAVE TOLD US THAT THE REPORT OF THEIR OBSERVER AT THE NAM CUBAN MEETING WAS QUITE NEGATIVE. THE MALAYSIANS ARE EXCEEDINGLY SUSPICIOUS OF CUBAN MOTIVES AND ARE TROUBLED BY THEIR ATTEMPTS TO MANIPULATE THE NAM IN FAVOR OF ONE SUPERPOWER. AT THE SAME TIME, USLO PEKING IN NOTING INTER ALIA VICE PREMIER LI HSIEN-NIEN'S ATTACK ON CUBA'S NAM MEMBERSHIP, COMMENTS THAT CHINA MAY NOW HAVE DECIDED TO MOUNT A MAJOR CAMPAIGN TO WEAKEN CUBA'S POSITION IN THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. VANCE

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